

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### BROADCASTING OWNERSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled "Broadcasting Ownership in the 21st Century". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE HEARING ON VIN DATABASE AND AUTO WHISTLEBLOWER BILLS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on VIN Database and Auto Whistleblower Bills". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D946)

H.R. 720, to improve intergovernmental planning for and communication during security incidents at domestic airports. Signed on September 24, 2015. (Public Law 114–50)

S. 1359, to allow manufacturers to meet warranty and labeling requirements for consumer products by displaying the terms of warranties on Internet websites. Signed on September 24, 2015. (Public Law 114–51)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

*Committee on Rules* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3495, the "Women's Public Health and Safety Act", 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 28 through October 2, 2015

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the amendment of the House of Rep-

resentatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 719, TSA Office of Inspection Accountability Act. At 5:30 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 2689.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

## Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* September 29, Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the Transportation Security Administration's efforts to address inspector general findings, 11:15 a.m., SD–138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine United States Cybersecurity policy and threats; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the procurement, acquisition, testing, and oversight of the Navy's *Gerald R. Ford*-class aircraft carrier program, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Adewale Adeyemo, of California, and Amias Moore Gerety, of Connecticut, both to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and Jay Neal Lerner, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 10 a.m., SD–538.

September 30, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 10 a.m., SD–538.

October 1, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up an original bill entitled, "American Crude Oil Export Equality Act", 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* September 29, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings to examine pipeline safety, focusing on oversight of our nation's pipeline network, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* October 1, Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 2031, to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine economy-wide implications of President Obama's air agenda, 10 a.m., SD–406.

September 30, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Army Corps of Engineers' participation in the development of the new regulatory definition of "Waters of the United States", 10 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Finance:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine financial and economic challenges in Puerto Rico, 10 a.m., SD–215.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine improper payments in Federal programs, 10 a.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine the United States role and strategy in the Middle East, focusing on the humanitarian crisis, 10 a.m., SD–419.

September 29, Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine the changing landscape of United States-China Relations, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

September 30, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine the economic crisis in Ukraine, 2 p.m., S–116, Capitol.

October 1, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Scott Allen, of Maryland, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Ann Calvaresi Barr, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development, Barbara Lee, of California, and Christopher H. Smith, of New Jersey, both to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventieth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and Carolyn Patricia Alsup, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, John L. Estrada, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, David R. Gilmour, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, Jeffrey J. Hawkins, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, Edwin Richard Nolan, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, David Malcolm Robinson, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Conflict and Stabilization Operations), and to be Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization, Daniel H. Rubinstein, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, Lucy Tamlyn, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Jennifer Ann Haverkamp, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, and Roberta S. Jacobson, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, all of the Department of State; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the civil nuclear agreement in South Korea, 10 a.m., SD–419.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Porter Jackson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, Julie Furuta-Toy, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, and Dennis B. Hankins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, all of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* September 30, business meeting to consider S. 799, to combat the rise of prenatal opioid abuse and neonatal abstinence syndrome, S. 1893, to reauthorize and improve programs related to mental health and substance use dis-

orders, S. 481, to amend the Controlled Substances Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to drug scheduling recommendations by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and with respect to registration of manufacturers and distributors seeking to conduct clinical testing, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD–430.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine achieving the promise of health information technology, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* September 30, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Education and student achievement, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

September 30, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine end of the year spending, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* September 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brian R. Martinotti, and Julien Xavier Neals, both to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Robert F. Rossiter, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, and Edward L. Stanton III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, 10 a.m., SD–226.

October 1, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1814, to withhold certain Federal funding from sanctuary cities, 10 a.m., SD–226.

October 1, Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Administration's FY 2016 refugee resettlement program, including fiscal and security implications, 2 p.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* October 1, to hold hearings to examine the significant costs and related burdens for small businesses resulting from the Gold King Mine waste water spill near Silverton, Colorado, 10 a.m., SR–428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* September 29, to hold hearings to examine the impact of exposure to toxic chemicals on veterans and the VA's response, 10 a.m., SR–418.

September 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael Herman Michaud, of Maine, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, 2:30 p.m., SR–418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* September 29, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

September 30, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* September 30, to hold hearings to examine pension advances, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* September 29, Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture and Research, hearing to highlight research innovations achieved by our nation's

agricultural colleges and universities, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

September 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. International Food Aid Programs: Stakeholder Perspectives”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services*, September 29, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Outside Perspectives on the Department of Defense Cyber Strategy”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

September 29, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled “USAF Bomber Force Structure—current requirements and future vision”, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

September 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Implementing the Department of Defense Cyber Strategy”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 1, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled “Improving Public Shipyards to More Effectively Meet Navy Operational Requirements”, 8 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, September 29, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing on H.R. 3459, the “Protecting Local Business Opportunity Act”, 10 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, September 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “An Overdue Checkup: Examining the ACA’s State Insurance Marketplaces”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

September 29, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled “The Disrupter Series: How the Sharing Economy Creates Jobs, Benefits Consumers, and Raises Policy Questions”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 1, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining Potential Ways to Improve the Medicare Program”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 1, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled “Transporting Nuclear Materials: Design, Logistics, and Shipment”, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, September 29, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Semi-Annual Report of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 29, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “The Impact of Domestic Regulatory Standards on the U.S. Insurance Market”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, September 29, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “U.S. Counterterrorism Efforts in Syria: A Winning Strategy?”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Cyber War: Definitions, Deterrence, and Foreign Policy”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 30, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Ridding Central Africa of Joseph Kony: Continuing U.S. Support”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 30, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “The Threat of Islamist Extremism in Russia”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, September 30, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3102, the “Airport Access Control Security Improvement Act of 2015”; H.R. 3144, the “Partners for Aviation Security Act”; H.R. 3350, the “Know the CBRN Terrorism Threats to Transportation Act”; H.R. 3361, the “Department of Homeland Security Insider Threat and Mitigation Act of 2015”; H.R. 3490, the “Strengthening State and Local Cyber Crime Fighting Act”; H.R. 3493, the “Securing the Cities Act of 2015”; H.R. 3503, the “Department of Homeland Security Support to Fusion Centers Act of 2015”; H.R. 3505, the “Department of Homeland Security Clearance Management and Administration Act”; H.R. 3510, the “Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity Strategy Act of 2015”; H.R. 3572, the “DHS Headquarters Reform and Improvement Act of 2015”; H.R. 3578, the “DHS Science and Technology Reform and Improvement Act of 2015”; H.R. 3583, the “Promoting Resilience and Efficiency in Preparing for Attacks and Responding to Emergencies Act”; H.R. 3584, the “Transportation Security Administration Reform and Improvement Act of 2015”; H.R. 3586, the “Border and Maritime Coordination Improvement Act”; and the “Fusion Center Enhancement Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, September 29, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing on H.R. —, the “Fraudulent Joinder Prevention Act of 2015”, 11:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

September 29, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing entitled “Healthy Competition? An Examination of the Proposed Health Insurance Mergers and the Consequent Impact on Competition”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, September 29, Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing entitled “The Potential Implications of Pending Marine National Monument Designations”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

September 29, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing entitled “State, Local, and Tribal Approaches to Forest Management: Lessons for Better Management of our Federal Forests”, 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 29, Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on H.R. 286, the “Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2015”; and H.R. 872, the “Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2015”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

September 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Respecting State Authority, Responsibilities and Expertise Regarding Resource Management and Energy Development”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, September 29, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Planned Parenthood’s Taxpayer Funding”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 30, Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled “Status of Toll Interoperability”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, September 29, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Astrobiology and the Search for Life Beyond Earth in the Next Decade”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

September 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Dyslexia and the Need to READ: H.R. 3033, the Research Excellence and Advancements for Dyslexia Act”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, September 29, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce; and Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations, joint hearing entitled “The Blacklist: Are Small Businesses Guilty Until Proven Innocent?”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, September 30, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment,

hearing entitled “The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative: A Review of the Progress and Challenges in Restoring the Great Lakes”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, September 29, Full Committee, markup on legislative proposals in response to the reconciliation directive included in section 2002 of S. Con. Res. 11, 10:15 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

September 30, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Department of Labor’s proposed fiduciary rule, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: September 30, to hold hearings to examine financing higher education, focusing on exploring current challenges and potential alternatives, 10 a.m., SD-562.